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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): K. INOUE et al
 Serial No.: 09/698,186
 Filed: October 30, 2000
 For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
 PRODUCING THE SAME
 Group: 2811
 Examiner: D. W. OWENS

AMENDMENT

April 4, 2003

Commissioner For Patents
 Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, the period of response for which extension of time is requested in the attached Petition for Extension of Time, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read as follows:

A METHOD FOR PRODUCING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel non-elected claims 1-18, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please also cancel claims 19-38, inclusive, and insert as a substitute therefor, new claims 39-67, as follows: